

Singapore's NUH launches Global Fellows Alliance to foster international healthcare collaboration

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Fellows trained in NUH have emerged as leaders who are catalysing change in their respective fields upon their return home



(From left) Professor Yeoh Khay Guan, Chief Executive, National University Health System; Professor Quek Swee Chye, Chairman, Medical Board, National University Hospital (NUH); and Professor Aymeric Lim, Chief Executive Officer, NUH, at the launch of NUH's Global Fellows Alliance. Photo credit: National University Hospital

In line with its mission of being Singapore's leading university hospital, the National University Hospital (NUH) is launching its highly anticipated **Global Fellows Alliance**. This is a pioneering initiative that aims to open doors for clinicians to engage with one another, collaborate on innovative healthcare solutions, and contribute to the advancement of medical knowledge in the region and beyond.

Since 2000, over 900 clinical fellows and clinicians from around the world have passed through the doors of NUH to gain exposure to Singapore's healthcare industry and hone their skills in various clinical specialties through the hospital's clinical fellowship scheme.

These clinicians hail from various parts of the world, ranging from regional countries such as Myanmar and Bangladesh, to as far afield as Oman, Italy and Switzerland.

On 19 October, more than 50 of these fellows are gathering back in Singapore for the official launch of the Global Fellows Alliance.

A global community of medical leaders dedicated to advancing healthcare

The Global Fellows Alliance will offer a unique blend of educational activities, professional development and networking opportunities. The key features of the programme include:

Networking opportunities: Connect, collaborate, and exchange expertise within a global network. The programme will facilitate connections with healthcare professionals from diverse backgrounds, creating an extensive network of clinicians who can share knowledge and best practices.

Professional development: Tailored workshops, training and coaching for continual growth. These will cover a wide range of medical disciplines.

Extensive resources: Members can stay updated with the latest in medicine through access to comprehensive resources.

A community of leaders: Collaborate on research and drive meaningful and groundbreaking improvements in healthcare, across communities.

For more than two decades, NUH has trained an average of about 50 clinical fellows every year as part of its clinical fellowship scheme. These clinical fellows are attached to NUH for about six to 12 months, across specialties that span across Hand & Reconstructive Microsurgery, Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery, Organ Transplantation, Obstetrics & Gynaecology and Neurology, among others. In many cases, fellows have applied the knowledge they have gained to become leaders in their respective fields upon their return to their home countries.

Professor Quek Swee Chye, Chairman of the Medical Board at NUH, said: "Healthcare knows no borders and the Global Fellows Alliance is a testament to our shared commitment to strengthening healthcare excellence on a global scale. Together, we want to exchange knowledge, foster innovation, and ultimately transform healthcare for the better, not only in our local community, but around the world.

"Our aspiration is that the clinicians who join us from around the world will return to their communities with newfound expertise, passion and the desire to make a real impact on healthcare. We believe that by nurturing and empowering these global medical leaders, we can create a ripple effect of change that reaches far beyond Singapore and our hospital walls."